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On account of next week Thursday being Thanksgiving Day, The True Northerner will go to press on Wednesday to enable the force to enjoy the holiday. We ask as a special favor that all advertising and news copy be in one day earlier than usual which will make it possible to get next week's issue of the paper in the mails Wednesday evening. Thank you, and may you all enjoy Thanksgiving Day this year, more than you have enjoyed any holiday in the past.

W. H. Nunn of Chicago is spending the week with his people here.

Mrs. H. A. Sherman is visiting relatives and friends in Big Rapids.

Charles Burns came home from Camp Custer to spend Sunday with his parents.

Will Baugher was the first hunter to arrive from the North with his quota of deer. He arrived the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cross are both sick with the influenza. Their daughter, Mrs. G. A. Ironsides of Hastings is here assisting in their care.

Mrs. F. N. Wakeman and son Wynn were week end visitors at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Cross in Lawrence, returning Sunday evening.

The opening day of the Coterie Club was again postponed on account of the second quarantine order. Dr. Blanche M. Haines of Three Rivers was to have been the speaker for the occasion Wednesday afternoon.

The incessant rains of the past week have not been conducive to the health of the community in the epidemic. Every one is hoping for cold snappy weather soon, in the hopes that the general health conditions will improve more rapidly.

Al Hindenach has been sick for several days, and had to leave the store and go to his bed on Wednesday. A wire has been sent to his partner, C. W. Van Tassel who is in the North woods on a hunting trip and he is expected soon to look after the business at the store.

Four hundred fifty three received the Shrine degrees at the November Ceremonial in Grand Rapids last Friday evening. Three hundred fifty of the candidates were soldiers from Camp Custer, three of them Majors. P. N. Wakeman was in attendance from Paw Paw.

A card from Miss Lois Wilson, orders The True Northerner sent to her new address, 416 W. 118, Apt. 33, New York City. Miss Wilson who was formerly a Paw Paw girl, has been a teacher in the Grand Rapids city schools for a number of years, and is now spending the year in New York City in study.

Dr. W. F. Hoyt is a victim of the "flu" and has been confined to his bed since Wednesday. This places a great responsibility on the remaining physician, Dr. J. C. Maxwell during the Influenza Crisis. It is difficult to estimate the total number of cases in the community, but they will undoubtedly approximate a hundred.

The fire department was called to the Paw Paw Savings bank in the Longwell block Wednesday during the dinner hour to extinguish a blaze in the basement. No damage was done, with the exception of smoked walls in the banking rooms above. There was a hole in the fire pot of the furnace nearly a foot in diameter, and the blaze caught in the wood and kindling piled close to the furnace wall.

Some months ago, Mrs. John Dorsey exhibited a fine rug in one of the windows, on which she was selling tickets for the benefit of the local Red Cross. With each ticket sold, one guess was given on the number of beans in a glass can. The beans were counted Wednesday of this week by a committee consisting of Messrs. Harry Mather, W. R. Sellick and Earl L. Burhans. The count revealed a total of 1773 beans in the can, and the rug goes to Harvey Harper of Lawton, who guessed 1772. Two hundred fifty tickets were sold and Mrs. Dorsey turns over the sum of \$25.00 to the Red Cross. Mrs. Dorsey's patriotic efforts are appreciated.

Prosecutor H. H. Adams is numbered among the sick.

Sheriff Gladstone Beattie was in South Haven on business Thursday.

Sheriff elect Andrew Lang and wife entertained Hartford friends last Sunday.

Mrs. James McLeod entertained Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Hutchins of Lawrence last week.

Miss Irene Shaefer entertained a company of friends at a six o'clock dinner last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mosier entertained Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hamilton of Mattawan over Sunday.

Arthur Edgerly of Mattawan is another Van Buren county boy to appear in the recent casualty lists.

Mrs. I. A. Whitman is visiting her daughter Mrs. Charles Batchelder in Birmingham, Michigan.

Miss Hetty DeLong of Arlington has been the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Earl L. Burhans this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Menzo Cummins have moved to Kalamazoo where they expect to make their future home.

"Shote" Underwood left on Wednesday for Eureka Springs, Arkansas where he will spend the winter.

Mrs. Harry Wilsen was returned from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Paul Smith and family in Big Rapids.

Mrs. Mabel Sylvester, wife of the late J. M. Sylvester of Lawton will continue the undertaking business in that city.

George Ernsberger and James Walker were among those to attend the Grand I. O. O. F. lodge in Grand Rapids last week.

Miss Caroline Johnson was hostess to a company of her young friends at a six o'clock dinner last Friday.

Mrs. L. E. Edson who underwent a serious operation at Bronson hospital in Kalamazoo some time ago, is recovering nicely and is able to be brought home.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Soule and Jacob Darling are among those who have pneumonia. To make the matter serious at the Soule home, a baby was born to them on Wednesday.

B. F. Warner, who has had years of experience in the auction business is now prepared to act in the capacity of "Auction Manager". Attention is called to his announcement in this issue.

The barn of Charles Stainton near Lawton was struck by lightning last Sunday. He was at home when it happened and with the neighbors assistance extinguished the flames with little loss.

To make matters more serious than would otherwise be, it is very difficult to get well people enough to take care of the sick. In some cases whole families are stricken and patriotic women are leaving their families to assist in homes where it is otherwise impossible to get help.

Word has reached Paw Paw that Lieutenant Frank Sturtevant of Chicago was killed in Action in France the first of this month. This estimable young man was formerly a resident of Paw Paw and the many friends here join in sympathy to the bereaved parents and sister.

Judge Albion Titus of Kalamazoo has his busy days, according to the Kalamazoo Gazette. Notwithstanding the fact that the Judge presides over a court in a "Bone Dry" state, just thirteen drunks said "Good Morning Judge" to him one day this week. The Judge handed out fines ranging from \$5.00 to twenty-five days in jail.

There is some prospect of the Fruit Belt Line continuing its service to Kalamazoo as in the past, notwithstanding its announcement of discontinuance some time ago. Petitions have been circulated all along the line, and almost universally signed. The decision on the matter rests with the State Railroad Commission in Lansing.

Several Auctions are advertised in this issue of the True Northerner. No other medium can give an auction greater publicity. If you are planning an auction in the future, it will be to your advantage to call at The True Northerner office, and talk with us about your advertising. You will be gratified with the results, and pleased with the price.

Mrs. H. M. Ayars is visiting friends in Chicago.

Donald Easter, east of town is very sick with the Influenza.

Miss Marian Boess is ill and confined to her home with Influenza.

The I. O. O. F. Lodge meetings are postponed until further notice.

Mrs. Mildred Doren, teacher in the Second grade school room is ill with Influenza.

Ted Pepper who is in training at Lansing spent Sunday at home with his parents.

Leon Jacobs, who is a construction worker at Camp Custer spent Sunday here with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mosier, Miss Evelyn and A. W. Mosier were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Smith.

Miss Esther Stevenson, clerk in the Paw Paw Savings bank left on Thursday for Denver Colorado to enter a business college in that city.

Miss Irene Lane has returned to Paw Paw after an extended visit with relatives and friends in the west, and has already resumed her class in piano instruction.

Mrs. John Latschaw of Chicago spent the past week a guest at the H. A. Cole and Jake Reidl homes. She departed Wednesday for Allegan where she will visit Mrs. Ida Cole.

Advertised Letters—Miss Emma Merriam, Teacher; Miss Gwyneth Mead, Miss Leah Mickey, R. 3; Miss Lois Sternaman, Mrs. B. H. Hare, Edward Gersbach, L. D. Case.

It is announced that during the month of December the sugar allowance will be increased to four pounds per person and after January first, all restrictions will be removed.

Wm. K. Miller of Almena is now the official Cow Tester for the Van Buren county Cow Testing Association. His duties require his constant attention, and he is a good man on the job.

Mrs. Bertha North will leave today for Grand Rapids where she will visit her daughters for some time, and then go on to Chicago to spend a part of the winter at the home of her son Ralph and family.

If you would be sure of a crowd at your auction, and want to give it the greatest amount of publicity possible for the least money, call at The True Northerner office and get our plans for advertising.

Corporal Bill Killefer came home from Camp Custer Saturday afternoon to spend a short furlough at home. His wife came from the East to meet him here. Bill returned to camp Sunday evening and Mrs. Killifer remained for a longer visit.

Edward Finley of Hartford, local chairman of the State Food administration, states that recent orders permit inside window lighting on Mondays and Tuesdays during the hours that shops and stores are open for business.

Attorney W. J. Barnard is moving his household goods to his farm home, and vacating the town residence ready for the new owners, Sheriff Beattie and family. Mr. Barnard will fit up a living room at the rear of his office to occupy when he is in the village.

Judge L. B. Des Voignes was guest of honor at a recent banquet given by the Rod and Gun club of Mattawan. In his after dinner address, the Judge paid a high compliment to the citizenship of Mattawan, basing his deductions on observations during his administration as Circuit Judge.

The local post office force has been badly shattered for the past week by the prevailing epidemic. The following members of the force are on the sick list: Postmaster H. A. Cole; Assistant, Arba L. Hawley; Clerks Leon Douglas and Roy Harrington; City Carriers, Theo Areaux and Ela Curtis; Rural Carriers, Bert Douglas, Guy Fisk and Walter Areaux. Substitutes have not been available and following are those who have been taking some of the vacancies: Mrs. G. S. Seovel, Mrs. David Burke, Mrs. Bert Douglas, John McFarlin, Mrs. Robert Bangs. The many vacancies have interfered some with the usual prompt service, but patrons of the office all understand the conditions and have been patient, knowing that those on the job are doing their very best under the circumstances.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Waters are numbered among the sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Sencebe of Delton, Michigan are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Knight on Sunday last.

Miss Florence Pepper succeeds Miss Christine Carr as assistant in Dr. F. A. Racette's Dental Parlors.

H. L. McNeil attended the annual session of the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows in Grand Rapids last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Valent and Mrs. Rainy Witter of Lawrence were guests at the D. J. Mitchelson home on Sunday last.

Rev. I. P. Bates went to Bloomingdale last Sunday to exchange pulpits with Rev. Parnell who spoke in one of the Paw Paw pulpits.

W. J. Kingsbury, District Agent of the "Equitable Life" of the U. S. was in Paw Paw Thursday and Friday, the guest of local representative, W. R. Sellick.

Wm. Richmond was called here from Levering, Michigan the first of the week by the death of his daughter, Miss Nettie. He returned to his home on Wednesday.

Miss Christine Carr, who has been the assistant in the Dr. F. A. Racette dental parlors for the past three years, left on Monday for Seattle, Washington, where she will spend the winter with a sister. Her mother, Mrs. Ella Carr and brother George accompanied her to Klamath Falls, Oregon where they expect to make their future home.

Miss Nettie Richmond died in Decatur last Sunday after an illness of but two weeks. She was formerly a student in the Paw Paw schools, making her home with Mr. and Mrs. Al Hindenach, and had many friends among the young people here who mourn her untimely death. She was eighteen years of age, and for some time held a position in the telephone exchange of Decatur. Funeral services were held on Tuesday and burial was in the Cuddebach cemetery.

The City of South Haven joined in a suitable service last Sunday evening in memory of Major Edward Thompson who made the Supreme Sacrifice in France. Similar services were also held in Lawrence, where he attended the public schools and grew to manhood. The remains will be brought home from France as soon as practicable, and it is probable that the county will join at that time in a memorial service in honor of the memory of the martyred hero.

Marian Bonsall Davis pays the following tribute to the women of America in the December issue of the Red Cross Magazine:—With food the women of America have done one of the supremely imaginative things of this war. They observed rules, took substitutes, cut their portions, and fed millions of the Allies. Last April, when the Food administration made its final appeal to American housewives for the conservation of wheat, they saved and sent abroad 149,000-000 bushels before the September harvest.

Eliza A. Munger was born May 16, 1844, in the township of Porter, Van Buren county, Michigan. She was the daughter of Luke and Eunice Munger, pioneers of Van Buren county. She spent her youth in the old Munger homestead, now known as the Sanford Harris place. When a very young girl she joined the Free Will Baptist church under Elder Root. She was married to Joel D. Monroe in the year of 1867 on December 17th, and they lived in Porter and vicinity until the year of 1887 at which time Mr. Monroe was elected Register of Deeds of Van Buren county and they moved to Paw Paw where they lived until the death of Mr. Monroe on October 18th, 1895, at which place Mrs. Monroe has since made her home until her death which occurred at Grand Rapids, November 13th, 1918. Mrs. Monroe was seventy-four years and six months of age. Three of her children, Mark, Myrtle and Viola were with her the last week of her life. She was the mother of nine children, eight of whom survive her. Two brothers with their families were present at the funeral which was held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Lytle of Porter, on November 16th, within two miles of her birth place and where she spent the first forty-three years of her life. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. I. P. Bates and burial was in the Cairnes cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kroth were Kalamazoo visitors last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Kenyon are visiting friends and relatives in Hudson, Michigan.

Mrs. Con Bobel was called to Chicago Tuesday by the serious illness of her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Pugsley were in Kalamazoo last Saturday to visit their son Clifford who is a member of the S. A. T. C. at the Western State Normal.

Miss Etiole Allen who has spent the summer with relatives and friends here, has started on her return trip to her home in Los Angeles, California.

The six o'clock dinner which was to have been given by the L. O. T. M. Friday evening has been indefinitely postponed on account of the quarantine and illness of some of the members.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCon who recently purchased the DeVall home on East Main street are planning to leave Paw Paw. They have purchased what is known as the Gage Farm about one mile south and west of Lawrence, and will move there as soon as the premises are vacated. Paw Paw regrets to lose this estimable couple but the best wishes of friends here will accompany them to their home town of Lawrence. The home here is for sale.

The Red Cross Society together with the Post Office department have made arrangements whereby every soldier in France may receive a Christmas package. Duplicate labels have been printed and are now in the hands of Mrs. J. C. Maxwell. Any one who can make a statement in writing to the effect that the label has been lost, or has never been sent, may obtain one of Mrs. Maxwell, and the date of receipt for mailing has been extended to November 30th.

Coleman C. Vaughan, Secretary of State announces his department is now ready to issue automobile licenses for the year 1919. If people will make application early, the great January rush, with its attendant delays and other annoyances, may be avoided. The Secretary also calls attention to the fact that Automobiles cannot be legally operated after January first, without the new license plate on them. It will be a benefit all around he says, if auto owners will make application this year just as soon as possible.

The War and Post Office departments have issued an order extending mailing dates for Christmas parcels to November 30th. The War Department has authorized the Red Cross to have printed a sufficient supply of additional labels exactly similar to those received from abroad to be furnished to individuals who have not received or who have lost or destroyed the label, if applicant signs a statement. This arrangement becomes effective November 21st, and facsimile labels may be obtained from Mrs. J. C. Maxwell after that date.

Lieutenant Coningsby, writing for the December issue of the Red Cross Magazine says:—In the last offensive, the German wounded received precisely the same treatment as our own men. At the Casualty Clearing station, German officers sat at table with us. On the Red Cross train they were given beds and our English sisters waited on them. I thought of how the German nurses treat our chaps, spitting into the food and the cups before they hand them to them. The officers sat stiffly and insolently with absurd yellow gloves on, looking as though every kindness shown was a national tribute to their superiority.

Burglars gained entrance to the Will Payne residence on North Kalamazoo street last Thursday night. The various rooms were ransacked from cellar to kitchen but so far as can be ascertained, nothing of value was taken. It requires a special key to open the doors of this home, but whoever went in had the proper key, for the door was unlocked and locked again. Drawers to the tables, bureaus and book cases were all rummaged as though someone was looking for something in particular. No special damage was done however, and the burglars were evidently disappointed in their search. Sheriff Beattie has no clue to the guilty party or parties at this time, but is working on the case. It is quite evident that who ever it was had some knowledge of the premises and surroundings.

The Fruit Store is closed on account of the serious illness of the proprietor Frank Quinteiri and family.

Hugh Harrison of Charleston, West Virginia spent the week end with his sister, Mrs. Zilpha Ferguson.

Mr. and Mrs. John Haworth entertained a company of gentlemen friends at their home last Friday evening.

Some one has been unkind enough to say that the present epidemic is the result of too much music at the Peace celebration. Such an allusion is just a little bit unfair to Jake Reidl, the leader of the band. Put on the Soft Pedal, Please.

Miss Dorothy Tuttle gave a six o'clock dinner last Tuesday evening in honor of Miss Esther Stevenson who was about to leave for Denver, Colorado. Miss Stevenson is one of Paw Paw's favored daughters and the best wishes of a host of friends will accompany her to the new college work in the west.

The village council at a special meeting last Tuesday afternoon acting under the advice of the local health officer established a second quarantine prohibiting all public gatherings. The order was necessitated by a second epidemic of Influenza more extensive than the first one. The disease took a fresh start last Friday when in some instances whole families came down with it with no warning whatever. Since that day it has gained headway rapidly, and there are now probably somewhere near a hundred cases in the village and surrounding country. There have been no fatalities, and while some of the patients are seriously ill, it is thought with proper care and vigilance on the part of the citizens of the community, there need be no deaths. The quarantine order includes the schools, churches, lodges, theatre, pool room, card rooms, and all other meetings or gatherings where people congregate. All children suffering with colds or threatened with any kind of sickness are warned to remain at home, and people are cautioned not to congregate or loiter in public places. Strict observance of the provisions of the order are imperative, and immediate care and attention to the first symptoms of illness necessary if Paw Paw would go through the present crisis without a funeral.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION

By the Governor.

"Now, therefore, our God, we thank Thee and praise Thy glorious name."

We the people of Michigan, have many reasons for thankfulness.

We are thankful that our fertile fields have yielded abundantly of their fruits.

We are thankful that a dread epidemic has been stayed, through the prompt measures taken by the public health authorities throughout the State and the intelligent co-operation of the whole people.

We are thankful that we are Americans, and that no part of our land has been laid waste by the cruel ravages of war.

We are thankful that our Michigan soldiers and sailors, by their deeds of valor, have written a glorious chapter in the annals of the Great War; and that the indomitable spirit of our people has manifested itself to the end.

But, most of all, we are thankful that this terrible, devastating war, which for more than nineteen months has dominated our thought and dictated our action, is at last practically ended and soon we shall be free to devote our energies and activities to the constructive arts of peace. The long night of darkness and sorrow and travail and tears and blood is over and the day of blessed peace has dawned upon the world—peace and victory.

Therefore, I, Albert E. Sleeper, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby join the president of the United States in designating "Thursday, the twenty-eighth day of November next, as a day of Thanksgiving and prayer.

Given under my hand and the great Seal of the State, this eighteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, and of the Commonwealth the eighty-second.

Albert E. Sleeper
Governor.